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SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : There may be some training centre for imparting instructions about traffic rules to the drivers and the conductors and there may also be some centre for conducting refresher courses for them in each year or in every two years. May I know whether there is any such centre in the district of Malabar and, if so, where it is?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : I would like to have notice.

Construction of a concrete bridge across the Kavvai river in North Malabar

* 216 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a resolution passed at a public meeting held under the presidentship of Mr. P. Krishnan, Subdivisional Officer, Payyanur, in June 1956, requesting them to include the construction of a concrete bridge across the river Kavvai in Payyanur firka, North Malabar, in the Second Five-Year Plan; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) The petition was sent to the Chief Engineer (Highways). The Chief Engineer has reported that the work is not included in the Second Five-Year Plan.

SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Sir, if the scheme has not been included in the Second Five-Year Plan, may I know whether the project will be completed by any other means?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI : Sir, the project mentioned here is in a panchayat area. The panchayat must take interest in the construction of the bridge. The Government have nothing to do, but if the panchayat sends in an application, the Government will consider it.

SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Sir, are the Government aware that the Panchayat Board has also sent representation to the Government and what steps have the Government taken on the resolution sent by the panchayat?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI : The Government have not received any resolution from the panchayat.

Construction of a naval base at Tuticorin

* 217 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have made any representation to the Centre for the construction of a naval base in the name of Chidambaram Pillai at Tuticorin under the Second Five-Year Plan?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No, Sir.